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This month, September, C.C.B.C. will have meetings at 7:30 on Tuesday evenings, the 5th and the 19th at CONFRONT, 1130 Walnut Street. Agenda items will be: march, rally, and film showing on Sept. 23rd; Super Sunday on Sept. 16th; gay switchboard; and participation in the autumn electoral process. Members are welcome to suggest activities and/or items for discussion which inform the membership without necessarily calling for action.

AUGUST NOTES AND MINUTES

Two items not repeated in the second meeting minutes for August were, a letter written by C.C.B.C. to the Stonewall Bar protesting their admissions policy which allegedly discriminates against women and the fire exit at the Stonewall which reportedly had been blocked by soda cases, ladders, etc., and a resolution to adpot a more upfront name for C.C.B.C. after the film showing in September. Think of a name!

On August 22nd soon after 7:30, CCBC was convened by Joe Burns co-chair, in the backyard of CONFRONT. An agenda of seven items was gathered. These items were: the activities on Sept. 23rd sponsored by C.C.B.C., (LE-HI-HO agreed to act as co-sponsor of the "WORD IS OUT" showing.), the statewide demonstation against the views of Anita Bryant on Sept. 24th in Bloomsburg. C.C.B.C.'s planned gay switchboard, LE-HI-HO's meeting with the GLOBE-TIMES, a discussion of the Briggs' Initiative in California, the possible use of C.C.B.C. as a referral by the Rape Crisis Council of the L.V., and a discussion of C.C.B.C.'s participation in Super Sunday.

It was reported that C.C.B.C. representatives had met with an Allentown City Official to map out the route for the march on Sept. 23rd. It was noted that the official was friendly and to a certain extent, helpful. Concerning the rally planned to follow the march, confirmed speakers were announced- Mary Nancarrow, member of the Pa. Council for Sexual Minorities, Gary Norton, former co-chair of the Pa. Rural Gay Caucus, Naomi Berman, Candidate for Lt. Gov. of Pa. of the Socialist Workers Party, and Robert Woods, recently elected (interim) Chairperson of the Pa. Gay Support Network. Plans for distributing the film's (WORD IS OUT) tickets were also announced.

Other than announcement that plans were going ahead for the gay switchboard, discussion of the plans was deferred to a meeting of persons interested in the hot line which took place after the regular meeting.

Bob Steelman reported that he would be meeting with John Strohmeyer, Editor-in-chief of the Bethlehem Globe-Times to discuss an editorial in which Strohmeyer contended the gay movement was and would remain weak until gay came "en masse" out of the closet. A part of the discussion will be Bob's suggestion that many of the favorable events for gays are not reported in the Globe-Times (or most newspapers and media), and will suggest that a regular column appearing in the Globe-Times might adequately inform gays and the general public of what is really happening in the gay world.

Pamphlets against the Briggs Initiative (barring the employment of gays and gay rights supporters as teachers - California) obtained by a member at a Socialist Workers conference were distributed, and, after discussion of the referendum it was decided that C.C.B.C. would offer to sponsor a speaker from the anti-Briggs forces if one such person is in Pa.

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